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ANITA BAY TERMINAL HARVEST AREA FISHERIES ANNOUNCEMENT

Petersburg . . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the following information for the Southern Southeast Alaska Regional Aquaculture Association (SSRAA) concerning salmon fisheries in the Anita Bay Terminal Harvest Area (THA) for 2020.

SSRAA is forecasting total returns of 366,300 summer chum, 11,000 Chinook, and 11,900 coho salmon to Anita Bay. It is anticipated that approximately 128,200 chum, 5,700 Chinook, and 3,000 coho salmon will be available for harvest in the THA.

Anita Bay THA will be closed to commercial salmon fishing from 12:01 a.m., Monday, July 13, through 11:59 p.m., Sunday, August 9, to facilitate cost recovery efforts. If revenue goals are achieved, the rotational schedule may start back up prior to August 9 by emergency order and subsequent advisory announcement.

The Anita Bay THA will be open continuously to harvest salmon by troll gear from 5:00 a.m., Monday, June 1, through 11:59 p.m., Sunday, July 12, and from 12:01 a.m., Monday, August 10, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, November 10. The Anita Bay THA will be open to harvest salmon by drift gillnet and purse seine gear concurrently from 5:00 a.m., Monday, June 1, through 12:00 noon, Friday, June 12. The Anita Bay THA will be open on a rotational basis for the drift gillnet and purse seine fleets from 12:00 noon, Saturday, June 13, through 12:00 noon, Sunday, July 12, and from 12:00 noon, Monday, August 10, through 12:00 noon, Monday, August 31 according to the rotation schedule listed on page 2.

Anita Bay THA consists of those waters of Anita Bay south and west of a line from the tip of Anita Point at 56°13.68′ N lat, 132°22.48′ W long to a point on the northern shore at 56°14.26′ N lat, 132°23.93′ W long.

Waters closed to commercial salmon fishing within the THA include:

- (1) waters west of 132°26.19′ W long, will be closed from Monday, June 15, through Thursday, June 25
- (2) waters west of 132°26.98′ W long, will be closed from Friday, June 26, through Wednesday, July 1
- (3) waters west of 132°28.00′ W long, will be closed from Thursday, July 2, through Friday, July 10

From 12:01 a.m., Monday, June 15, through 11:59 p.m., Friday, July 10, waters within .25 nautical mile of the northern shoreline of Anita Bay west of a line from 56°12.33′ N lat, 132°26.19′ W long to 56°12.06′ N lat, 132°26.19′ W long and east of a line from 56°11.96′ N lat, 132°29.57′ W long to 56°11.73′ N lat, 132°29.36′ W long will be open.

Beginning Saturday, June 13, the following rotation schedules will be in effect through September 28, 2020, unless changed by a subsequent announcement.

Drift Gillnet

From 12:00 noon, Monday, June 15, to 12:00 noon, Tuesday, June 16
From 12:00 noon, Friday, June 19, to 12:00 noon, Saturday, June 20
From 12:00 noon, Tuesday, June 23, to 12:00 noon, Wednesday, June 24
From 12:00 noon, Saturday, June 27, to 12:00 noon, Sunday, June 28
From 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 1, to 12:00 noon, Thursday, July 2
From 12:00 noon, Sunday, July 5, to 12:00 noon, Monday, July 6
From 12:00 noon, Thursday, July 9, to 12:00 noon, Friday, July 10
Closed July 13 through August 9
From 12:00 noon, Monday, August 10, to 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 11
From 12:00 noon, Friday, August 14, to 12:00 noon, Saturday, August 15
From 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 18, to 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 19
From 12:00 noon, Saturday, August 22, to 12:00 noon, Sunday, August 23
From 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 26, to 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 27

From 12:00 noon, Sunday, August 30, to 12:00 noon, Monday, August 31

Purse Seine

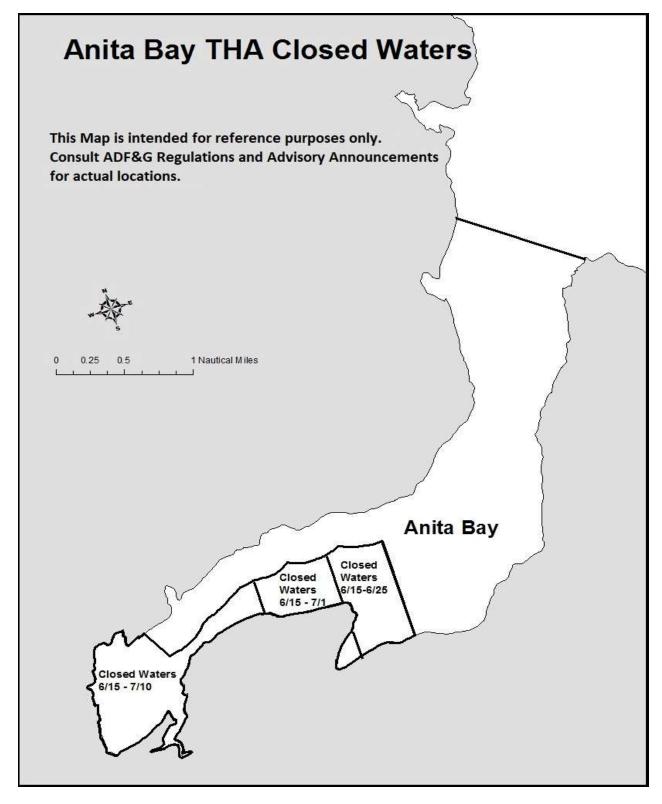
From 12:00 noon, Saturday, June 13, to 12:00 noon, Sunday, June 14
From 12:00 noon, Wednesday, June 17, to 12:00 noon, Thursday, June 18
From 12:00 noon, Sunday, June 21, to 12:00 noon, Monday, June 22
From 12:00 noon, Thursday, June 25, to 12:00 noon, Friday, June 26
From 12:00 noon, Monday, June 29, to 12:00 noon, Tuesday, June 30
From 12:00 noon, Friday, July 3, to 12:00 noon, Saturday, July 4
From 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 7, to 12:00 noon, Wednesday, July 8
From 12:00 noon Saturday, July 11, to 12:00 noon, Sunday, July 12
Closed July 13 through August 11
From 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 12, to 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 13
From 12:00 noon, Sunday, August 16, to 12:00 noon, Monday, August 17
From 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 20, to 12:00 noon, Friday, August 21
From 12:00 noon, Monday, August 24, to 12:00 noon, Tuesday, August 25
From 12:00 noon, Friday, August 28, to 12:00 noon, Saturday, August 29

The Anita Bay THA will open to harvest salmon concurrently by drift gillnet and purse seine gear from 12:01 a.m., Tuesday, September 1, through 12:00 noon, Tuesday, November 10, 2020, when the Anita Bay THA will close for the season.

<u>Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions for Purse Seine</u>: All Chinook salmon harvested within the Anita Bay THA may be retained and sold from 5:00 a.m., Monday, June 1, through 12:00 noon, Sunday, July 12.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1E0620.

Under Alaska's Health Mandates 10, 11, and 12, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Mandates. COVID-19 Health Mandates may be found here: https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/.



Advisory announcement website: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main.

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